

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL ZOO COMMITTEE
OF THE METROPOLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT

January 13, 1988

Committee Members Present: Councilors Corky Kirkpatrick (Chair),
Mike Bonner and Tom DeJardin

The attached memorandum from Chair Kirkpatrick is an accurate
account of the meeting's proceedings.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "A. Marie Nelson".

A. Marie Nelson
Clerk of the Council



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Memorandum

Date: January 13, 1988

To: Metro Council

From: Councilor Kirkpatrick
Chair, Zoo Planning Committees

Regarding: AGENDA ITEM 7.1 -- JANUARY 14, 1988, COUNCIL MEETING

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 88-841 FOR THE PURPOSE
OF CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF Y. SHERRY SHENG AS
DIRECTOR OF THE WASHINGTON PARK ZOO

The Zoo Planning Committee met on January 13, 1988, to consider the confirmation of Y. Sherry Sheng as Zoo Director. In attendance were Councilors Kirkpatrick, Bonner and DeJardin.

The Committee heard a report from Councilor DeJardin, who participated on the Selection Committee and travelled to Seattle, Washington, and Brownsville, Texas, with the Deputy Executive Officer to do background checks on both finalists. Councilor DeJardin pointed out that both finalists were "extremely qualified and highly regarded in their respective communities. DeJardin reported that Y. Sherry Sheng has the ability to provide aggressive leadership for the Zoo, work effectively with policy-makers and Zoo professionals, and is very familiar with the attitudes and needs of people living in the Northwest.

The Committee considered Resolution No. 88-841 as introduced by the Executive Officer. The Committee unanimously recommends (motion of Councilor Bonner) adoption of Resolution No. 88-841A (attached) which incorporates more information concerning the selection process and includes the recommendation of the Committee. The main purpose is still achieved, that is, the confirmation of Y. Sherry Sheng as Director of the Zoo.

Also, the Committee discussed the selection process and suggests that at a later date the Zoo Committee review such process for the purpose of making appropriate policy recommendations to the Council to strengthen the selection process for principal department director positions.

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Attachment